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SUBJECT: STATEMENT OF GALO PLAZA AFTER MEETING WITH BALAGUER
AND PRD LEADERS

1. AFTER MEETING WITH PRESIDENT BALAGUER AND THE LEADERSHIP
OF THE PARTIDO REVOLUCIONARIO DOMINICANO, GALO PLAZA, LEADER OF
THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES ELECTION OBSERVER TEAM HELD
AN IMPROMPTU PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE OFFICES OF THE LISTIN
DIARIO.

2. PLAZA CHARACTERIZED THE INTERRUPTION OF THE VOTE-COUNT AS
GRAVE AND ABNORMAL, BUT ASSURED REPORTERS THAT PRESIDENT
BALAGUER IS ANXIOUS TO RESOLVE THE SITUATION AND THE ARMED FORCES
THEMSELVES DISPLAY AN EARNEST DESIRE TO DEFEND CONSTITUTIONAL
PRINCIPLES. ACCORDING TO PLAZA, BALAGUER STATED THAT HE HAD
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PROMISED HIMSELF TO MAINTAIN CONSTITUTIONALITY AND RESPECT
THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTIONS. PRESIDENT BALAGUER IS OPPOSED TO ALL
POLITICAL SOLUTIONS CONTRARY TO CONSTITUTIONAL STIPULATIONS.
PLAZA STATED, "I HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT BALAGUER HONESTLY WANTS
TO RESPECT JURIDIC ORDER." HE CONTINUED THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE
THAT THE INTERRUPTION OF THE VOTE-COUNT WOULD DETRACT FROM
THE LEGITIMACY OF THE ELECTIONS.

3. PLAZA INDICATED THAT THERE WAS NOT A CONSENSUS AMONG THE ARMED FORCES TO WITHDRAW FROM DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES. THE ARMED FORCES, HE SAID, SUPPORT THE FUTURE OF THE COUNTRY BECAUSE THEY ARE DEDICATED TO DEFEND DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES. IF THERE IS NOT AN ARMED INTERVENTION, WHAT IS MOST LIKELY IS A DEMOCRATIC AND CONSTRUCTIVE SOLUTION FOR THE COCXJQI.

4. PLAZA SAID THE PRD LEADERSHIP IS INTERESTED IN BRINGING ABOUT A SERENE AND CONSTRUCTIVE SOLUTION, THINKING ALWAYS IN THE FUTURE OF THE COUNTRY AND IT IS UNFORTUNATE THAT AN ELECTORAL PROCESS THALFBEGAN WITH THE BEST AUSPICES HAS BEEN INTERRUPTED.

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